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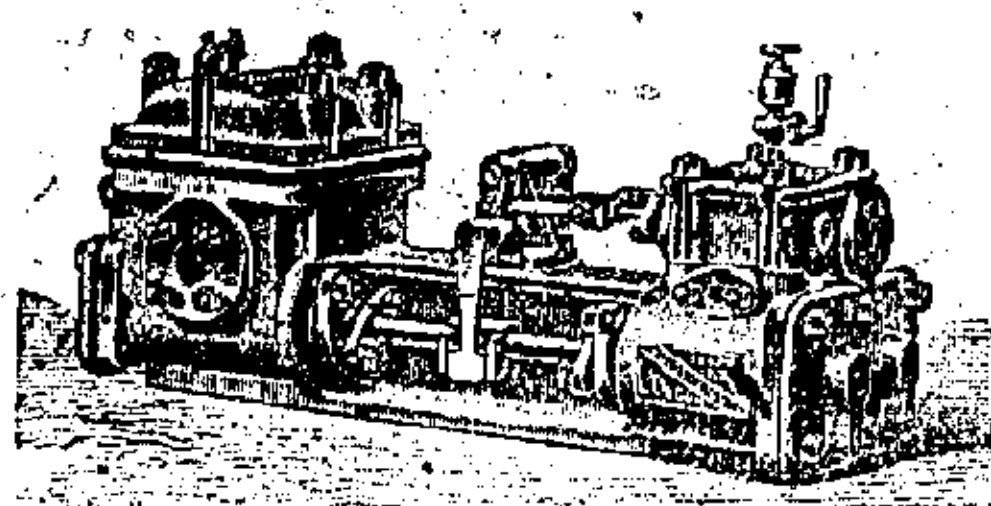
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UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND OF TWENTY PER
CENT. upon CONTRIBUTIONS for
the year 1899, has been declared.
WARRANTS will be issued on the 1st
May.

By Order of the Board,
W. J. SAUNDERS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, April 19, 1900. 945

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extra-
ordinary General Meeting of the
Humphreys Estate and Finance Company,
Limited, will be held at the Offices of the
Company, 38 and 40 Queen's Road Central,
Victoria, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY,
the 16th May, 1900, at Noon, when the
subjoined Resolution, which was passed at
an Extraordinary General Meeting of the
Company held on the 30th April, 1900,
will be submitted for Confirmation as a
Special Resolution, namely:

"That the NEW REGULATIONS, ap-
proved by this Meeting, and for the
purpose of identification, subscribed by
the Chairman thereof, be, and they
be so, submitted for approval, and that
each Regulation be, and they be so, adopted
as the Regulations of the Company, to the ex-
clusion of all the existing Regulations
thereof."

A copy of the New Regulations can be
seen at the Company's Office,
Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 1004

DOOLITTLE AND POLLOCK,
COMMISSION AGENTS,
50, LYNCHBURST TERRACE,
HONGKONG.

AGENTS FOR AMOURE PACKING COMPANY.
Hongkong, May 7, 1900. 1053

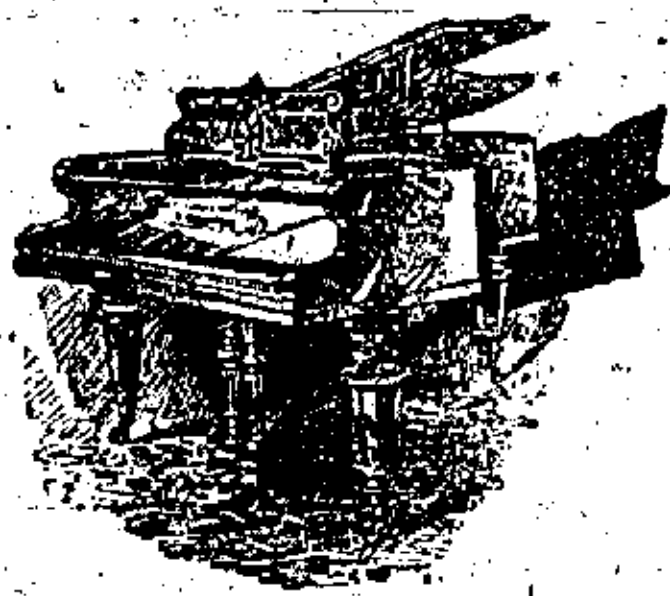
THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON
WHARF AND GODOWN CO.,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Parties
who were Holders of Shares on the
4th May, and who wish to apply for the
New Issue of Capital, must Register their
Holdings on or before the 21st May.
The TRANSFER BOOKS will be
CLOSED from the 22nd to the 28th inst.,
both days inclusive.

By Order,
EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1900. 1054

Robinson Piano Co., Ltd.



GRANDS OF HIGHEST CLASS,

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COLLARD, RACHALS.

HIRE AND TIME PAYMENT ACCEPTED.

MAGNIFICENT LOT NEW HAAKE PIANOS.

16 JUST ARRIVED.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT AND AGENCY COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a
MEETING of the Board of Direc-
tors of the above Company, held at the Re-
gistered Office of the Company, Queen's
Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on
Tuesday, the Twenty-Seventh day of March,
1900, the following resolutions were
passed:

1. That in pursuance of the provisions
of the Special Resolution passed at
an Extraordinary General Meeting of
the Company held on the 15th
and confirmed on the 27th March
instant, and since duly registered,
the sum of \$1,250,000 be withdrawn
from the Reserve Fund and be
carried as of the 2nd July next,
to the Credit of Capital Account,
each share being credited with a
sum of \$25 as paid up thereon in
addition to the sum of \$50 now
standing to the credit of each share.
That the balance of \$25 per share
of the Unpaid Capital of the Com-
pany be called up, and that a Call
be and is hereby made of \$25 per
share upon all the shares of the
Company, and that the Share-
holders be requested to pay the
sum to the Company's Bankers,
the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank-
ing Corporation, at their premises,
Queen's Road Central, on or before
the 2nd day of July A. D. 1900.

Shareholders are hereby requested to pay
accordingly.

And Notice is also given that, in ac-
cordance with Article 34 of the Company's
Articles of Association, interest will be
charged as from the said 2nd day of July
1900, at the rate of \$12 per centum per
annum, upon all Calls remaining unpaid
after the 9th day of July 1900, up to the
actual date of payment of the same.

By Order of the Board,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 27, 1900. 702

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE HONGKONG TIMBER YARD,
(Established 1852),
has This Day BEEN REMOVED from No.
35, Praya East, Marine Lot 107 to Island
Lot 1008, BOWRINGTON CANAL, near
Leighton Hill Road Bridge, and opposite
Lee Yuen Sugar Refinery.

L. MALLORY.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 1003

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the
FIFTEENTH ANNUAL ORDIN-
ARY GENERAL MEETING of the
Company, (since its Registration) will be
held in the Board Room, at the Hongkong
Dispensary, on MONDAY, the 14th inst.,
at Twelve o'clock Noon, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the General Man-
agers, together with a Statement of Account
to the 31st December, 1899.

THE REGISTER of SHARES will be
CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 3rd
instant, until SATURDAY, the 19th inst.,
both days inclusive, during which period
NO TRANSFER of SHARES will be
B-gistered.

By Order,
A. H. MARCELL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 2, 1900. 1006

'KIRIN.'

A Delicate
Lager.

THE CELEBRATED BEER OF
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QUARTS, \$2.50 per dozen.

PINTS, \$1.75 do.

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Sole Agent for Hongkong.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF
HONGKONG, No. 1,165.

A Regular MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held in the FINEST
MASON'S HALL, Zealand Street, on WED-
NESDAY, the 19th instant, at 8.30 for
9.00 p.m. precisely. VISITING BROTHERS
are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, May 9, 1900. 1039

NOTICE.

WE beg to call the attention of con-
sumers of NAPIER JOHNSTON'S
'SQUARE BOTTLE' WHISKY to the
fact that another Whisky is now being sold
in the Colony, also put up in Square Bottles
and BEARING A LABEL VERY
CLOSELY RESEMBLING THE N.J.,
and to ask them to see that they get the
REAL NAPIER JOHNSTON when placing
their orders.

'LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
Sole Agents for N.J. Whisky.
Hongkong, May 3, 1900. 1023

DEVONIAN SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL DINNER will be held
at the HONGKONG CLUB, on TUES-
DAY, 22nd instant, at 8 p.m.
Members intending to be present are
requested to send in their names to the
Honorary Secretary on or before FRIDAY,
18th instant.

The Secretary will be glad to receive the
names of Donations wishing to join the
Society.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Hon. Secretary,
Hongkong Club.

Hongkong, May 10, 1900. 1077

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MAN in ENGLISH FAMILY.
Apply stating Terms to 'A.T.,'
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Hongkong, May 10, 1900. 1075

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DEALERS in all kinds of JAPANESE
CURIOUS, and THINGS JAPANESE.
No. 8, D'Arny Street.
Head Office, No. 82, Sanmachiya-cho, 1
Chome, Kobe, Japan.
Hongkong, January 9, 1899. 98, 878

Business Notices.

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very THIN and COOL.

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Their Cigarettes are guaranteed fresh, pure and

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But the latter have come to stay.

OUR

SODA, POTASH, TONIC, RASPBERRYADE,

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\$4.50 per Cask of 375 lb. net ex Factory.

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Glazed Stoneware, Drain Pipes and Fittings, Glazed

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A New consignment of American and

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PRICES: - - - \$30 to \$400.

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AND

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With all the Original Songs and Music
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Full Orchestra and Chorus.

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Grand Production for the first time in the
East of the latest and Greatest
Musical Success which ran to crowded
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The FRENCH MAID

With New and Elaborate Scenery.

Costumes and Effects.

Plan at Robinson Piano Co. Casual
Prices. Doors open 8.30. Commence 9
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A late Train will run to the Peak 15
minutes after the Performance.

Business Manager.

Mr. BERTRAM HERMANN.

Hongkong, May 11, 1900. 1090

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 190.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of
SALE OF CROWN LAND by
PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Office
of the Public Works Department, on MON-
DAY, the 11th day of May, 1900, at 3
p.m., are published for general information.

By Command, F. H. MAY.

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1900. 1047

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting
by Public Auction Sale, to be held on
Monday, the 14th day of May, 1900,
at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public
Works Department, by Order of His Ex-
cellency the Officer Administering the
Government, of One Lot of Crown
Land, at Stone Nullah Lane, in the
Colony of Hongkong, for a term of
75 Years, with the option of renewal
at the Surveyor of Her Majesty the
Queen, for one further term of 75
Years.

Particulars of the Lot.

By Command, F. H. MAY.

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1900. 1048

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting
by Public Auction Sale, to be held on
Monday, the 14th day of May, 1900,
at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public
Works Department, by Order of His Ex-
cellency the Officer Administering the
Government, of Three Lots of Crown Land, at Hing Hoi, in the
Colony of Hongkong, for a term of
75 Years, with the option of renewal
at the Surveyor of Her Majesty the
Queen, for one further term of 75
Years.

Particulars of the Lots.

By Command, F. H. MAY.

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1900. 1049

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting
by Public Auction Sale, to be held on
Monday, the 14th day of May, 1900,
at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public
Works Department, by Order of His Ex-
cellency the Officer Administering the
Government, of One Lot of Crown
Land, at Stone Nullah Lane, in the
Colony of Hongkong, for a term of
75 Years, with the option of renewal
at the Surveyor of Her Majesty the
Queen, for one further term of 75
Years.

Particulars of the Lot.

By Command, F. H. MAY.

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1900. 1050

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting
by Public Auction Sale, to be held on
Monday, the 14th day of May, 1900,
at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public
Works Department, by Order of His Ex-
cellency the Officer Administering the
Government, of One Lot of Crown
Land, at Stone Nullah Lane, in the
Colony of Hongkong, for a term of
75 Years, with the option of renewal
at the Surveyor of Her Majesty the
Queen, for one further term of 75
Years.

Particulars of the Lot.

By Command, F. H. MAY.

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1900. 1051

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting
by Public Auction Sale, to be held on
Monday, the 14th day of May, 1900,
at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public
Works Department, by Order of His Ex-
cellency the Officer Administering the
Government, of One Lot of Crown
Land, at Stone Nullah Lane, in the
Colony of Hongkong, for a term of
75 Years, with the option of renewal
at the Surveyor of Her Majesty the
Queen, for one further term of 75
Years.

Particulars of the Lot.

By Command, F. H. MAY.

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1900. 1052

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting
by Public Auction Sale, to be held on
Monday, the 14th day of May, 1900,
at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public
Works Department, by Order of His Ex-
cellency the Officer Administering the
Government, of One Lot of Crown
Land, at Stone Nullah Lane, in the
Colony of Hongkong, for a term of
75 Years, with the option of renewal
at the Surveyor of Her Majesty the
Queen, for one further term of 75
Years.

Particulars of the Lot.

By Command, F. H. MAY.

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1900. 1053

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting
by Public Auction Sale, to be held on
Monday, the 14th day of May, 1900,
at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public
Works Department, by Order of His Ex-
cellency the Officer Administering the
Government, of One Lot of Crown
Land, at Stone Nullah Lane, in the
Colony of Hongkong, for a term of
75 Years, with the option of renewal
at the Surveyor of Her Majesty the
Queen, for one further term of 75
Years.

Particulars of the Lot.

By Command, F. H. MAY.

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1900. 1054

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting
by Public Auction Sale, to be held on
Monday, the 14th day of May, 1900,
at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public
Works Department, by Order of His Ex-
cellency the Officer Administering the
Government, of One Lot of Crown
Land, at Stone Nullah Lane, in the
Colony of Hongkong, for a term of
75 Years, with the option of renewal
at the Surveyor of Her Majesty the
Queen, for one further term of 75
Years.

Particulars of the Lot.

By Command, F. H. MAY.

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

To-day's Advertisements

THE PANTOMIME, don't forget that
TO-MORROW NIGHT, The 'Hesv
Dallas Co. produce the Great Drury Lane
Success, 'THE BABES IN THE WOOD.'

NOTICE.

THE RACE-COURSE and GRAND
STAND, have been placed at the
disposal of the H.M.S. Turbine Recreation
Committee, to FACILITATE SPORTS
being held TO-MORROW (SATURDAY),
the 12th Instant, commencing at 3.30 p.m.
No Cards or Tickets of Admission will be
issued as the whole of the British and
Foreign Community and all Visitors to the
Colony are invited.

T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, May 11, 1900. 1084

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

WING to the GYMKHANA there
will be NO COMPETITION TO-
MORROW, 12th Inst. The Range will be
Open for Practice.

MOBILSAY S. NORTHGOTE,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, May 11, 1900. 1086

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EUROPEAN MASTER (Mate's Certi-
ficate sufficient) and an ENGINEER
for the War Department Vessel HER-
CULES.

Apply to Officer Commanding, Army
Service Corps, Fletcher Street, Hongkong,
stating 'TERMS' inclusive. An apt and cap-
able will be required to enter upon an
AGREEMENT for not less than 3 years.

Hongkong, May 11, 1900. 1087

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE MUTUAL STORES will occupy
their NEW PREMISES, Nos. 8 and 10,
D'ARCY STREET, on MONDAY, the
14th Inst.

Hongkong, May 11, 1900. 1089

NOTICE.

CANTON ELECTRIC LIGHTING AND
FIRE EXTINGUISHING CO.,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EX-
TRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of the Canton Electric Light-
ing and Fire Extinguishing Company,
Office, No. 4, Praya Canal, Victoria,
Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 26th day
of May, 1900, at 12 o'clock Noon, when
the said Resolution which was passed at
the Extraordinary General Meeting of the
Company, held on the 9th day of May,
1900, will be submitted for confirmation as
a Special Resolution.

That the Company be wound up volun-
tarily and that LI YUK TONG of Victoria,
Hongkong, one of the Managers of the Com-
pany, be and is hereby appointed Liquidator
for the purpose of such winding up.

Dated 10th May, 1900.

By Order of the Board,

LI YUK TONG, Manager.

LIAO FENG SHU, Managers.

TO-MORROW NIGHT, HENRY DALLAS

Co. produce the Great Drury Lane Panto-
mime 'THE BABES IN THE WOOD.'

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship
FORMOSA.

Captain Douglas, will be despatched for
the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 12th
Inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARLAK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, May 11, 1900. 1082

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship
HAIYAN.

Captain Roach, will be despatched for the
above Ports on SUNDAY, the 13th Inst.,
at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARLAK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, May 11, 1900. 1083

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI,
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THE Imperial German Mail Steamship
SACHSEN.

of the Norddeutscher Lloyd, Captain F.
Menz, due here with the outward German
Mail about 15th Inst., will leave for the
above places about 24 hours after arrival.

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For further particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 11, 1900. 1085

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Oculist, Optician, of London and Calcutta,
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(Next to Spectacles at 5 p.m.)

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to those having some deficiency in the con-
struction of the eye, the many years of
'Eye-Sight' ending in serious forms of
disease. Glasses specially adapted in youth
to those requiring them save and preserve
the sight.

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dimness when reading, weak eyes, the let-
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of the eyes requiring Glasses only to correct
and cure.

Mr. LAZARUS supplies his SPECTA-
CLES only after testing the sight.

ADVICE FREE.

HAVE you seen THE DALLAS Co. in the
Drury Lane Pantomime 'THE BABES
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Vessels Advertised as Loading.

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Australian Ports. Ksagaa Maru (s). Nippon Yusen Kaisha. May 25, at 4 p.m.

Australia Ports. Gibb, Livingston & Co. May 31, at 4 p.m.

Australia Ports. Isan (s). Butterfield & Swire. May 15.

Australia Ports. Kauga Maru (s). Nippon Yusen Kaisha. May 25, at 4 p.m.

Bremen & Ports of Call. Bremen (s). Messageries Maritimes. May 19.

Bremen & Ports of Call. Hamburg (s). Carlowitz & Co. June 6.

Bremen & Ports of Call. Havre and Hamburg. Carlowitz & Co. About June 21.

Bremen & Ports of Call. Havre and Hamburg. Carlowitz & Co. About June 30.

Bremen & Ports of Call. Havre and Hamburg. Carlowitz & Co. About July 6.

Bremen & Ports of Call. Havre and Hamburg. Carlowitz & Co. May 24.

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Bremen & Ports of Call. Havre and Hamburg. Carlowitz & Co. May 29.

Bremen & Ports of Call. Havre and Hamburg. Carlowitz & Co. May 22, at noon.

Bremen & Ports of Call. Havre and Hamburg. Carlowitz & Co. May 16, at 3 p.m.

Bremen & Ports of Call. Havre and Hamburg. Carlowitz & Co. May 10, at noon.

Bremen & Ports of Call. Havre and Hamburg. Carlowitz & Co. May 4, at noon.

Bremen & Ports of Call. Havre and Hamburg. Carlowitz & Co. May 13, daylight.

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Bremen & Ports of Call. Havre and Hamburg. Carlowitz & Co. May 11, daylight.

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Bremen & Ports of Call. Havre and Hamburg. Carlowitz & Co. May 9, at noon.

Bremen & Ports of Call. Havre and Hamburg. Carlowitz & Co. May 8, at noon.

Bremen & Ports of Call. Havre and Hamburg. Carlowitz & Co. May 7, at noon.

Bremen & Ports of Call. Havre and Hamburg. Carlowitz & Co. May 6, at noon.

Bremen & Ports of Call. Havre and Hamburg. Carlowitz & Co. May 5, at noon.

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Notes by the Way.

The delivery of the English Mail was begun at 11.40 a.m.

The Legislative Council will meet on Monday afternoon at three o'clock.

On May 6, the foundation stone was laid of a new German Church at Shanghai.

On our fifth page will be found a letter from Dr. Harston to the Sanitary Board regarding the lime-washing of houses.

The Football Club of H.M.S. *Hermione* held a dinner at the Jessfield Hotel, Shanghai, on 3rd May, to celebrate the winding up of the football season.

The return of plague cases up to noon on the 11th May showed that eight fresh cases and five deaths occurred during the preceding 24 hours.

The new direct Parcel Post Convention between France and Ceylon, the Straits Settlements and Hongkong, was signed in Paris on the 4th inst. by Sir E. Munson and M. Deleuse.

The sports arranged by the Stewards of the Jockey Club in honour of Captain Scott, the officers and crew of H.M.S. *Terrible*, to-morrow, will commence at 3.30 p.m.

A most interesting series of articles on Cricket, by the distinguished batsman A. C. MacLaren, will commence in to-morrow's issue of *The China Mail*. The first article will deal with 'Cricket Reform.'

The *Times* of India of the 18th ult. announced that Captain S. H. Willes, R. F. A., transferred from No. 1 Company, 60th R.F.B., would be provided with warrants to Hongkong-Singapore Battalion, R.A., to Alibab.

The death rate amongst foreign residents in Hongkong this year has been appalling, and one grievously sad case is reported of the death of a father, mother and two children—a little boy being left alone in the world.

The Rebellion at Wai Tsap.

Our Canton correspondent writes:—The rebellion at Wai Tsap is said to have assumed serious proportions that the victory has sent Lau I, the leader of the Black Flags, with a large force to put down this outbreak. Lau I, being a man of strategy, as every one who read of his exploits in Formosa knows, has surrounded the rebels and hopes in this way, by stopping all supplies, to bring about their surrender.

The Paris Exhibition Junk.

The Chinese junk *Pleur de Lotus* which was equipped at Hongkong by a Frenchman named M. Gyon as an exhibit for the Paris Exhibition arrived at Colombo in tow of the tank steamer *Ching-son* on April 26. The *Times* of Ceylon says:—It was not thought advisable to allow the junk, owing to the monsoon and also as she would have been greatly delayed on the voyage. From Colombo she will be towed on to her destination by steamer, and it is probable that she will leave next week. M. Gyon, who purchased the vessel, passed through Colombo about a fortnight ago, from the Straits on his way to Paris, and will exhibit the junk on his own account. She will be moored in one of the Seine basins on the exhibition grounds and will be decorated in Chinese fashion. There will be a tea booth on board, at which Chinese tea will be served by Chinese attendants, while a collection of Chinese curios will also be on show. The vessel had a rough time during the voyage to Colombo, being tossed about like a cork on the sea, but gave no trouble to the steamer which was towing her.

Sanitation of the Colony.

At the usual fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board, held yesterday afternoon, Hon. R. D. Omsby presiding—the report of Mr. R. F. Drury, sanitary surveyor, for the first quarter of 1900 was presented. The surveyor's report shows that 'Plans have been deposited during the quarter for the re-drainage of 160 houses; plans for 464 were carried forward from 1899, making a total of 620 in hand during the quarter. The drainage of 63 has been completed and the plans for 12 houses have been cancelled, leaving 597 to carry forward. Repairs to drainage arrangements have been carried out in 33 instances, and 254 houses were carried forward from last year, making a total of 287 houses in hand for repair during the quarter. Certificates have been granted under section 74 of Ordinance 24 of 1897 for 91 new buildings that they have been built in accordance with the provisions of that Ordinance. The drains of 40 houses have been inspected and reported on. Of this number one required reconstruction and 30 amending. Notices have been served on the owners of 40 houses calling on them to execute the necessary work.' On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Dr. Lawson, the report was adopted.

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Czarina Violette

is deservedly the most popular of all violet scents. Czarina Violette faithfully represents the true colour and has an unequalled excellence. Wholesale and Retail from A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong.

Hospitals.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherlands Hospitals began to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:

A. Hancock	8 60
E. W. Mitchell	20
A. Shaw	10
E. W. Toller	10
H. P. Wadman	10
G. L. Tomlin	10
R. W. Dale	5
Heuermann, Harist and Co.	5

The New Law Courts.

Amongst the passengers who arrived from London by the *Lucia* on May 8 was Mr. John Mossop, A. R. I. B. A., member of the Sanitary Institute, who has been appointed to superintend the erection of the New Law Courts at Hongkong. The design of this fine building was the work of Messrs. Eaton, Webb and Ingham Bell, of London, who are consulting architects to the Crown. Mrs. Mossop accompanied her husband.

The 'Terribles.'

Before the departure of the *Terrible* from Singapore a deputation from the Marine Club visited the cruiser and distributed large quantities of cakes and provisions, including fully half-a-pound of Cavendish tobacco for every man on board. The Reception Committee at Hongkong have supplied the men of the *Terrible* with an interesting souvenir of their reception at Hongkong by distributing amongst the crew copies of the *China Mail* containing a full description of the celebrations.

R. W. F. Baad.

The following programme of music will be played by the band of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers at the Officers' Mess, Murray Barracks, to-night, commencing at 8 p.m.:—

March	..... Solenne	..... Gasser
Overture	..... Schumann	..... Weber
Selection	..... French	..... Maill
Valse	..... A Maid of Kent	..... Lowman
Polka	..... Piccadilly	..... Green
Selection	..... Forester	..... Sullivan
Song	..... The Chorister	..... Sullivan
Debutante	..... The Cavalier	..... Buchanan
Polka	..... The Jolly Little Day	..... Convent

J. H. Moss, Band Master.

Share List.

The following alterations in our share list are noted after the hour of correction:—

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, 392 3/4; Iron, 302 1/2; Dock, 490 1/2; Iron, 302 1/2; Steamship, 300 1/2; Sars, 18 1/2; buyers; Wain, 580; sellers; Wainchi Warehouse, 504; buyers; Hongkong Land, 125; buyers; West Point, 346 1/2; buyers; Jelebu, 312 1/2; New Punjab, 56; buyers; and Preference, 31 1/2; sales; Great Eastern, 32 1/2; sales; Bau, 53; sellers; Olivers, A 24; and B 22; A. S. Watson, 816 1/2; sales and sellers; Hongkong Electric, 811 1/2; buyers; Green Island, 831 1/2; sales; and China Borneo, 820; buyers.

Lime-washing.

The fortnightly lime-washing return submitted at the meeting of the Sanitary Board, yesterday, said:—'The period for the Central District has now expired with seven days' grace, and still according to notifications of intention sent in 535 houses still require lime-washing. It is possible that a good proportion of these have been done without notification. The Inspector is, however, now devoting himself to prosecuting all owners of above houses for (1) 'not cleansing'; (2) 'failing to notify the department of intention to cleanse'; on either or both counts. The work is proceeding as quickly as possible regarding lack of facilities at the Land Office to quickly obtain the requisite names of owners of the various houses.' The report was adopted.

The Penalty for Resisting the Law.

Last night Police Constable Apley and three excise officers boarded a junk at West Point, for the purpose of searching for opium. The master was in his cabin when they got aboard and refused to allow the officers to enter, and on their persisting, called out to his 'foiks'. The crew rushed forward and the constable knocked one of them down. They then called on some people in adjoining junks to help them. A number of people came round the junk in boats, but the Constable taking a stand on the poop threatened to shoot anyone who dared to come on board. They then went away. One of the Excise Officers blew his whistle to attract the police and assistance came from No. 7 Station. The master was taken into custody and, at the Magistracy, to-day, was fined \$250, with the alternative of three months' imprisonment for resisting the Excise Officers.

Death of Mr. Wm. Bibby.

The death is announced of Mr. William Bibby, Manager of the Robb Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd., which sad event took place at Kuala Lumpur at midnight on Wednesday, 2nd May. Mr. Bibby has not been in good health for some years, being a sufferer from Bright's disease. A few weeks ago he was thrown out of a derrick injuring his head severely. He was subsequently attacked by malarial fever, and that, unfortunately, caused a rapid redevelopment of the old trouble after his return to Raub. He was removed to Kuala Lumpur for treatment, but though carefully nursed he died as stated. He was 63 years of age and was born in Liverpool. He came to Raub from Australia in 1899. Mr. Bibby leaves behind him three sons and three daughters, two of his daughters being married.

TO-DAYS TELEGRAMS.

CHINA MAIL'S SPECIAL SERVICE.

THE WAR.

MORE REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

THE WAR OFFICE AMAZED.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Colenso, May 10, 7.50 p.m.

The latest telegraphic news from London reports that Field Marshal Lord Roberts has wired for more infantry to be despatched to South Africa.

The War Office is amazed at the insatiable demands for reinforcements, considering the fact that 6,000 men and 2,500 horses were landed at Table Bay in the first week of May.

MOVEMENTS OF BRITISH TROOPS.

The force in Natal in command of General Sir Redvers Buller having rested and being now thoroughly equipped for the field, preparations are being made for a forward movement.

The Boers have abandoned Ficksburg and Ladysbrand.

General Buller, in command of the Third Division, has crossed the Vet River and completely dispersed the enemy in the vicinity.

DISSENSIONS AMONGST THE BOER FORCES.

Lucas Meyer, the famous Boer spy, has stated that there is much dissension amongst the Boer Forces. The Foreign Legion is smashed and the Irish-American Brigade is unmanageable.

REUTERS SERVICE.

London, 9th May.

THE WAR.—THE ADVANCE IN THE PRIME STATE.

Colonel Mutton with the mounted infantry reconnoitred the Zand-River and found the enemy in considerable force. General Buller's cavalry with General Hamilton's forces performed the same operation with similar results.

THE WESTERN FRONTIER.

General Hunter reports that he has occupied Fourteen Streams unopposed, the enemy retiring precipitately, abandoning their ammunition and personal effects.

THE CHESTER CUP.

1. Roughside.
2. Manners.
3. Balder.

THE WAR.

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SPEECH BY LORD SALISBURY.

Lord Salisbury, in a speech, enlarged the careful neutrality of all the Powers, but he said, nevertheless, in regard to the future we must rely solely on our own strength, and the military efficiency of the great nations was increasing daily. He questioned the wisdom of trusting to the navy alone, and as a corollary was unacceptable, urged the creation of rifle clubs everywhere. The responsibility rested with the people of ensuring the security of the country by placing it in the position of an armed nation.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notes are issued from the Observatory:—

On the 11th at 11.55 a.m. the barometer is falling on the China coast, probably owing to the formation of a depression in N. China. Pressure remains high over W. Japan and the Loochees. Gradients slight for S.E. and E. winds on the China coast. Forecast: moderate E. to S.E. winds; some drizzling rain or mist.

International Football.

At Glasgow, on April 7, Scotland defeated England at Association Football by 4 goals to 1. Over 60,000 people witnessed the match. The team is described as being the best that has represented Scotland for many years. McCall, Queen's Park, being the hero. Lord Rosebery's colours, primrose and pink, were worn by the Scottish side, his lordship also patronising the game.

Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil.

is a valuable tonic for Anemics or those whose disease has left pale and emaciated. Wholesale and Retail from A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong. Sold by all Chemists.

WHEN NATURE

NEEDS assistance it may be best to render it promptly, but one should remember to use even the most perfect remedy only when needed. The best and most simple and gentle remedy is the Syrup of Figs, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. Sold by Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., wholesale or retail.

EPIDEMIC DISEASES IN THE COLONY.

PROPOSED SCHEME OF SANITARY REFORM.

At the fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board, held yesterday, Hon. R. D. Omsby presiding, an interesting discussion took place on a motion suggested by H. E. the Acting Governor.

Lieut.-Col. Ryan, pursuant to notice, moved:—That in accordance with the suggestion of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the Sanitary Board, in Committee appointed by the Sanitary Board, prepare with as little delay as possible, for submission to Government, a comprehensive scheme of sanitary reform for this colony, with special reference to arrangements for dealing with epidemics such as bubonic plague, typhoid, and cholera, and forming the subject of written reports.

In making the motion Lieut. Col. Ryan apologized to the other members of the Board having longer and more varied experience in the Colony than he had for making the proposal. He had made it in response to the suggestion made by the Officer Administering the Government. He was well aware that the Board at various times indicated to the Government various measures for the public health and for dealing with epidemics. He thought that many of the suggestions of the Board were embodied in the local Ordinance, but he might say, they seemed to be somewhat complicated, and many, he found, had been practically dead letters. Recently the proposal had been made by the Board for the formation of a Sanitary Trust. When that proposal was rejected by the Government the ulterior proposal was made to set aside a part of the annual revenue of the Government for Sanitary purposes. These two proposals were the outcome of the fact that the proposals of this Board made from time to time were not given effect, but he could easily understand the Government desiring to accept these proposals. Constituted as this Colony was, they (the Government) must keep in their own hands the entire administration.

One of their most important duties was the protection of the Community from a sanitary point of view. He thought it would be wrong to relieve them (the Government) as Sanitary Trustees, by the setting aside of a certain portion of the revenue from what he regarded as the most important duty. There were no great local or political questions to be dealt with by the Government, and he thought they should see that the problem of the protection of the public health was one of their most sacred duties. Lord Rosebery said that the first duty of a statesman was the protection of public health, and if that were true of any community large or small, it was true of this Colony. He took it that the future of this Colony depended entirely, almost entirely, on the way in which sanitary problems were dealt with. With regard to the necessity of sanitary reform, he really did not think it was necessary to enter into the subject, considering the knowledge of the members of the Board, and the knowledge of the public on that point. Sanitary reform was necessary here; there was no need to impress on the community that sanitary reform was necessary; what was needed was to impress on the Government the necessity of giving effect to the suggestions of the Board.

According to the last report of the Medical Officer of Health, he took it that Sanitary reform was an urgent necessity. Nobody who knew the Medical Officer of Health would expect for a moment that he would use the language of exaggeration, and, taking the statement on this question, he asked them if it was creditable to the Sanitary Administration of the Colony that the Medical Officer of Health should be obliged to write as he had done. The speaker at this stage made some lengthy quotations from the reports of the M. O. H. Continuing Lieut. Col. Ryan said he found on inquiry—his information might not be accurate, but he gave it for what it was worth—that the

hospital accommodation for plague cases was practically non-existent. There were some main drains, where plague patients were turned over to the charge of Chinese doctors. Of course it was a very large question dealing with plague cases among Chinese, but he certainly thought that for the community to be exposed to an infectious hospital, not for plague alone but to meet any epidemic. He thought that the existing hospital, doubtless conducted admirably, was really not sufficient for the requirements. There were some main drains to be improved, but he believed, himself, that the resolution with a view of, as it were, gathering up the various suggestions that had been made respecting plague, and that they would co-operate with one another, compare views, and having considered the large question of sanitation, present the Government with their united opinion. The duty of the Board would then be done, and the Sanitary Board to say whether it was to be carried out or not. He moved the resolution.

Mr. E. Osborne seconded. He said he quite agreed with Colonel Ryan that it seemed to be useless for the Board to be continually making suggestions of sanitary reform, and sending in memoranda, suggestions. They might attain some good by putting on record once and for all a comprehensive report as to what they wanted to place the town in a proper condition and deal with epidemics. The only danger from his point of view was that the committee might meet and spend a large amount of time and trouble and energy in framing these reports and then the reports might be carried to the pigeon hole, without anything being done. However, he hoped that the committee would be more successful than hitherto.

Dr. Harston said that as a matter of duty the Board would have to do as was suggested, but he must say that he had very grave doubts as to the success of the scheme, and that, after a great deal of time and trouble, the suggestions would be pigeon-holed as before. However, in this case they were asked by the Officer Administering the Government, who he believed had the interests of the colony very much at heart, to prepare a scheme, and they might have something done. It showed how wise a thing it was for the Government to appoint the head military officer to act during his absence, because he having no interest could say truly and openly that the Sanitary Board was something more than a mere advisory board and that its suggestions ought to be received by the Government. The first person whose report was intended to was the Mr. Sir William Hamilton, and it was his warmly worded report which first stirred up the

War Office in the matter of public health in the Colony. What they had done had not been done in any carrying spirit but with a sense of doing their duty.

The Chairman said that before putting the resolution to the Board, a resolution which he was quite in sympathy with in one way, he might say he had often been struck with the pessimistic view taken by members of the Sanitary Board and by the press, and a good many others in the Colony, as to the state of Hongkong, and the amount of abuse heaped on the Government for doing nothing as regards the sanitary state of the Colony. He was not a doctor, but on looking at the death rate of Hongkong and comparing it with the death rate of his own beautiful city of Dublin he found that in Hongkong with plague in its midst there had been a death rate of 22 per thousand, whilst in Dublin there was a death rate of 50 per thousand. He did not mean to say that having plague here was not a terrible thing and a great loss to Hongkong, but at the same time the death returns showed that Hongkong was not an unhealthy city.

With regard to the Government, a good deal was said about the Government having done nothing towards the sanitation, but as far as he knew they had done a great deal, though of course there was more to be done. Some years ago the Government built a police station, but the police never occupied it, the Government having done nothing towards the sanitation, but as far as he knew they had done a great deal, though of course there was more to be done. Some years ago the Government built a police station, but the police never occupied it, the Government having done nothing towards the sanitation, but as far as he knew they had done a great deal, though of course there was more to be done.

On the motion of Dr. Clark, seconded by Lieut. Col. Ryan, it was decided that the whole Board should form the committee.

THE WAR.

The Ladysmith Naval Brigade. London, April 21.—The Queen receives the members of the Naval Brigade who were besieged in Ladysmith on the 2nd May. On the 7th of May, the Lords of the Admiralty will inspect the Brigade publicly in London, the Prince of Wales attending.

The Boer Resources.

The *Times* publishes a telegram from Lourenco Marques stating that foreign capitalists have equipped a foundry at Pithria (Pretoria) for manufacturing big guns, the first of which has already been despatched to the front.

A party of Russian experts has gone to the Transvaal to organise a balloon service for the Boers.

April 23.—An explosion took place at Pretoria, on Tuesday night, in the engineering works used as an arsenal. The building was destroyed, and 10 men killed and 32 wounded, mostly French and Italian workmen. The German Director was wounded.

Lord Roberts' Despatches.

April 26.—Mr. Ritchie, speaking at Crofton yesterday, said that it is a delusion to suppose that the Spionkop despatches were published by the War Office without the consent of Lord Roberts. The President of the Board of Trade added that their publication in no way necessitated the recall of General Buller.

Important Despatch from Lord Roberts.

April 25.—Lord Roberts' despatch, dated Bloemfontein, to-day, says that General Buller's decision rejected Rooda's Koop last evening, without casualties. Its advance was covered by Cavalry and Horse Artillery, which drove back the enemy with heavy loss. The mounted troops this morning were crossing the Modder River, in accordance with his instructions, to General French to place himself astride the enemy's line of retreat, but the Boers evacuated a strong position at Doodfontein during the night, which General Buller's Cavalry occupied.

Brush with a Small Boer Commando.

The *Daily Telegraph* despatch from Bloemfontein states that during the advance of the British force to the Waterworks, the Burmah Contingent ran into a commando of about 100 Boers. They checked the enemy for two miles.

The Enemy at Israelpoort.

April 27.—A despatch from Lord Roberts, dated Bloemfontein, April 26th, says:—Colonel Hamilton yesterday expelled the enemy from a strong position at Israelpoort by a well-considered turning movement, admirably executed by Colonel Ridley, commanding the 2nd Mounted Infantry Brigade, and Smith-Dorrien, of the 18th Brigade. The Boers were advancing towards Thabanchu. Our losses are slight.

Sir George White.

Sir George White is being greatly honoured in the country. Whenever he goes he receives a most hearty ovation.

The Afrikaner Bond's Organ.

Lord Roberts has prohibited the circulation of the Afrikaner Bond's organ, the *Onknoers*, in the districts which are under martial law.

The Damage to the Waterworks.

According to the *Standard's* Bloemfontein correspondent, the only damage to the waterworks is the removal by the enemy of the side valves of the engines pumping the water.

Russia and Masamopo.

A Seoul telegram states that the title-deeds of the land recently purchased by Russia at Masamopo will be granted in a few days. The telegram also states that as soon as the title-deeds are received, Russia will erect a building for the use of a Consulate, while a portion of the land will be given to a Russian steamship company.

PROPOSED OBSERVATION STATION.

RECOMMENDATION FROM THE SANITARY BOARD.

At the Sanitary Board meeting, yesterday, Hon. R. D. Omsby presiding, a discussion took place as to a proposed observation station under the Venice Sanitary Convention.

Dr. Clark moved that the Board resolve to recommend the Government to proceed as rapidly as possible with the erection of an Observation Station somewhere in the neighbourhood of Lychnikok. He said that if a ship arrived at the Port with a number of cases of plague on board, instead of permitting them to land and spread the disease through the City, they could be landed at the Observation Station, where they would be detained say for a period of ten days or so, and then allowed to enter the Colony. A further use for the Station would be for the removal of people living in plague districts. For instance, last year the plague was almost confined to No. 9 district and particularly First, Second and Third Streets; if they could have removed the people residing there to an hospital they would have done a great deal towards preventing the spread of plague throughout the City. In 1896 they attempted something of the sort in the shape of large junks moored behind Stone-cutter's Island, but the number of people got beyond their accommodation and they had to give it up. It was necessary to provide for at least 1,000 people, and it would be better if there was accommodation for two or three thousand. In Ceylon they had erected a station which was capable of accommodating some three or four thousand people, so that if plague found its way there they could soon deal with it.

Dr. Lawson seconded. He said he did not agree with Dr. Clark's plan, but he could say that such a place as was suggested was wanted very badly in the Colony, and chiefly for the reason he had put forth about treating plague in junks. The Venice Sanitary Convention was all rubbish and the first people to admit that were themselves who brought about the Convention, and who afterwards in order to carry out things properly in England had to insist upon a quarantine. He supposed this would come under the scheme about which they were to meet in Committee, and he did not, therefore, want to say much at this stage.

The Chairman said that an Officer of the Ceylon Public Works in passing through Hongkong a few weeks ago was very much surprised to find that they had no Camp for the removal of plague patients. Referring to his said he had been engaged building such a Camp—permanent from buildings, with gas, hot water, and so on, in Ceylon, and he (Mr. Omsby) must say it was very strange that they should have all this in Colombo where they had no plague, and that they should not have any provision here where they had so much of it. This matter had his fullest sympathy.

The motion was carried unanimously.

THE SEARCH FOR PLAGUE CASES.

HOUSE TO HOUSE VISITATION.

At yesterday's meeting of the Sanitary Board—Hon. R. D. Omsby presiding—Dr. Lawson, in accordance with notice of motion, proposed:—That attention of Government be called to the fact that, in Hongkong, a few weeks ago was very much surprised to find that they had no Camp for the removal of plague patients. Referring to his said he had been engaged building such a Camp—permanent from buildings, with gas, hot water, and so on, in Ceylon, and he (Mr. Omsby) must say it was very strange that they should have all this in Colombo where they had no plague, and that they should not have any provision here where they had so much of it. This matter had his fullest sympathy.

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LATE TELEGRAMS.

A New Imperial Court.

London, April 24.—Government have received the creation of a New Imperial Court by the amalgamation of the Judicial Committee with the House of Lords.

Death of a Late Chief Justice of Ceylon.

April 25.—Sir J. F. de Wail, late Chief Justice of Ceylon, is dead.

Turkey Agrees to pay America's Claims.

The dispute between Turkey and America is in a fair way of settlement, the Porte having promised to pay America's claims.

Indian Civil Servants and their Leave.

Calcutta, April 26.—A Calcutta paper has the following from its Special Correspondent:—London, April 25.—The Secretary of State for India has received the proposal that Civil officers shall in future receive the greater amount of leave as pensionable service; also an increase of appointments eligible for an additional pension of £1,000.

The Famline in India.

Mr. Balfour, replying to Mr. Macleod, said that Lord George Hamilton was most carefully watching the events in India. An appeal for assistance would be made to the Government of India did not anticipate any difficulty at present in providing the means of relief.

British Columbia and Japanese Immigration.

London, April 23.—The *Times* publishes a telegram from Ottawa, stating that the Governor-General in Council has disallowed the Bill of the Act passed by the British Columbia Legislature containing restrictive provisions against Japanese immigrants. The decision was taken in deference to the wishes of the Imperial Government.

The Indian Unconvenanted Service Fund.

Lord George Hamilton, in Council, has sanctioned the proposal of the Indian Government for improving the position of the Unconvenanted Service Fund by £20,000.

The Rangoon Outrage Case.

Simla, April 22.—Final orders have been issued by the Military authorities in regard to the officers, whose conduct was largely responsible for the failure of justice in the Rangoon Outrage Case.

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